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SUBJECT: CRIMINAL INTELLIGENCE (4)
LEE HARVEY OSWALD

Sir:

The attached news clipping was taken from the CHICAGO TRIBUNE, dated Tuesday, November 26, 1963

MEXICO PAPER SAYS OSWALD WENT TO REDS

Reveal Visits to Russ, Cuban Consulates

MEXICO CITY, Nov. 25 (AP) — The newspaper Excelsior said today Lee Harvey Oswald spent several days in Mexico City in late September, calling on consulates of the Soviet Union and Cuba.

Excelsior said Oswald crossed the border at Laredo, Tex., on Sept. 26 and drove to Mexico City, where on Sept. 28 he called on the consulate general of Cuba and asked for a transit visa to Moscow by way of Havana.

The United States customs service at Laredo confirmed the crossing. A spokesman said, "There are records to establish this." The records also showed Oswald reentered the United States Oct. 3.

Leaves in Huff

Excelsior said the Cuban consulate told Oswald it could not issue the visa without talking to the United States government and that would take 10 or 12 days. The paper said Oswald left the office in a huff and slammed the door as he went.

The next day he appeared at the office of the Soviet consul and asked for a visa directly to the Soviet Union.

The newspaper said Oswald supported his argument for the visa by saying his wife was a Soviet citizen, that he was a Communist, and that he had lived in Russia for three years.

Told of Long Wait

The Soviet consul told him the normal time to process such a request would be about three months. Oswald again left in a huff, the paper said.

The newspaper said there was no indication Oswald talked to any important officials of the Soviet or Cuban embassies, other than the respective consuls.

Respectfully submitted,

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